

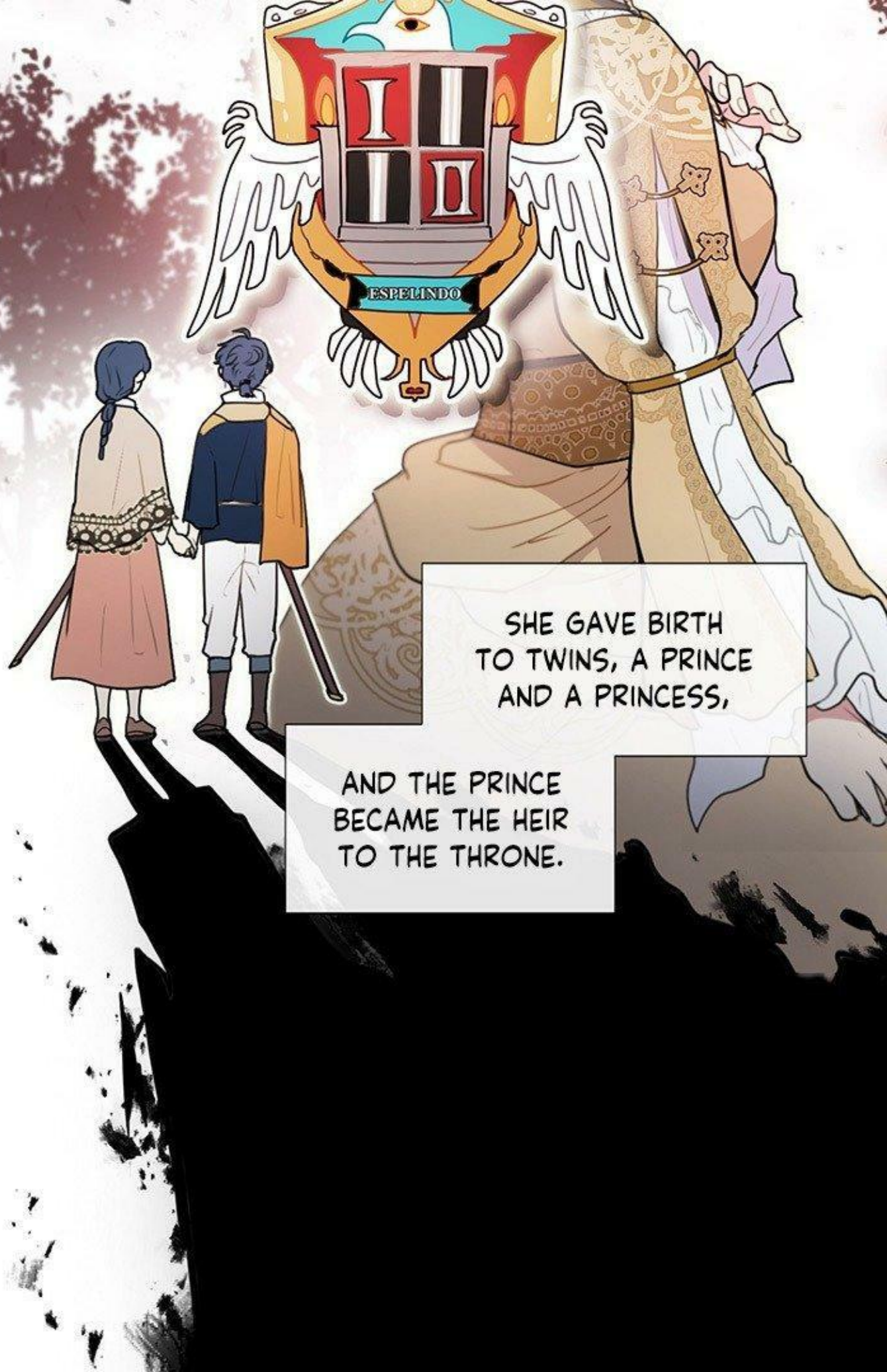
IN THE PEACEFUL
EMPIRE OF LUDECHT,



THE EMPEROR MARRIED
AN EMPRESS FROM THE
MOST POWERFUL FAMILY.

SHE'S THE ELDEST DAUGHTER
OF THE ESPELINDO FAMILY,
KNOWN FOR THEIR INCREDIBLE
WEALTH AND REPUTATION.






SHE GAVE BIRTH
TO TWINS, A PRINCE
AND A PRINCESS,

AND THE PRINCE
BECAME THE HEIR
TO THE THRONE.

BEFORE LONG,
THE EMPEROR WED
A SECOND EMPRESS.

SHE WAS THE YOUNGEST
OF THE SCHWANDELL FAMILY,
WHOSE IMPERIAL KNIGHTS RAISED
THE EMPIRE'S STATUS THROUGH
THEIR MILITARY STRENGTH.





AND TO HER,
THE SECOND PRINCE
WAS BORN.



BUT ONE DAY,



THE SECOND EMPRESS
WAS ASSASSINATED.

THE CULPRIT OF THIS
MYSTERIOUS INCIDENT WAS NEVER
CAUGHT, BUT A GRUESOME RUMOR
SPREAD ALL OVER THE EMPIRE.

AS A RESULT, THE EMPEROR
DECROWNED THE FIRST PRINCE
AND PROCLAIMED THE SECOND
PRINCE AS HIS HEIR.



THE REASON FOR
HIS DETHRONEMENT...



HE WAS TOO CRUEL.

WHOA



THE KNIGHTS
HAVE RETURNED!

I HEARD IT WAS A DECISIVE
VICTORY THIS TIME AS WELL?
OUR EMPIRE SURE IS STRONG.



BUZZ..

?
WHAT THE.





ISN'T THAT THE
FIRST PRINCE, DUKE
RAYBURN ESPELINDO?





MY WORD.
HE WENT INTO BATTLE
AGAIN HIMSELF?





HE DOESN'T EVEN
HAVE A SCRATCH ON HIM.

SO THAT RUMOR THAT
HE LOVES WAR MUST BE TRUE,
SEEING AS HE'S ALWAYS
GOING INTO COMBAT.

MURMUR



I HEARD THAT THE FIRST
PRINCE WAS THE ONE WHO
STARTED THIS WAR AS WELL.

WHISPER

IS IT TRUE THEN
THAT THOSE TWINS
INCITE VIOLENCE?

AND THERE ARE
THOSE RUMORS TOO.

WHISPER



THAT THOSE TWO WERE
THE ONES THAT ASSASSINATED
THE SECOND EMPRESS.



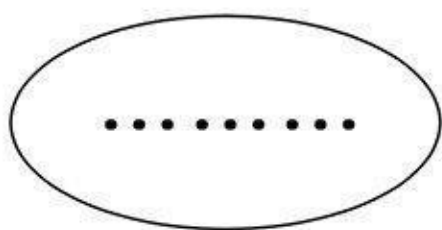
THE PEOPLE ARE THE
SAME AS EVER... EVEN THOUGH
THEY CAN'T MAKE A PEEP IN
FRONT OF MISS HOYA.



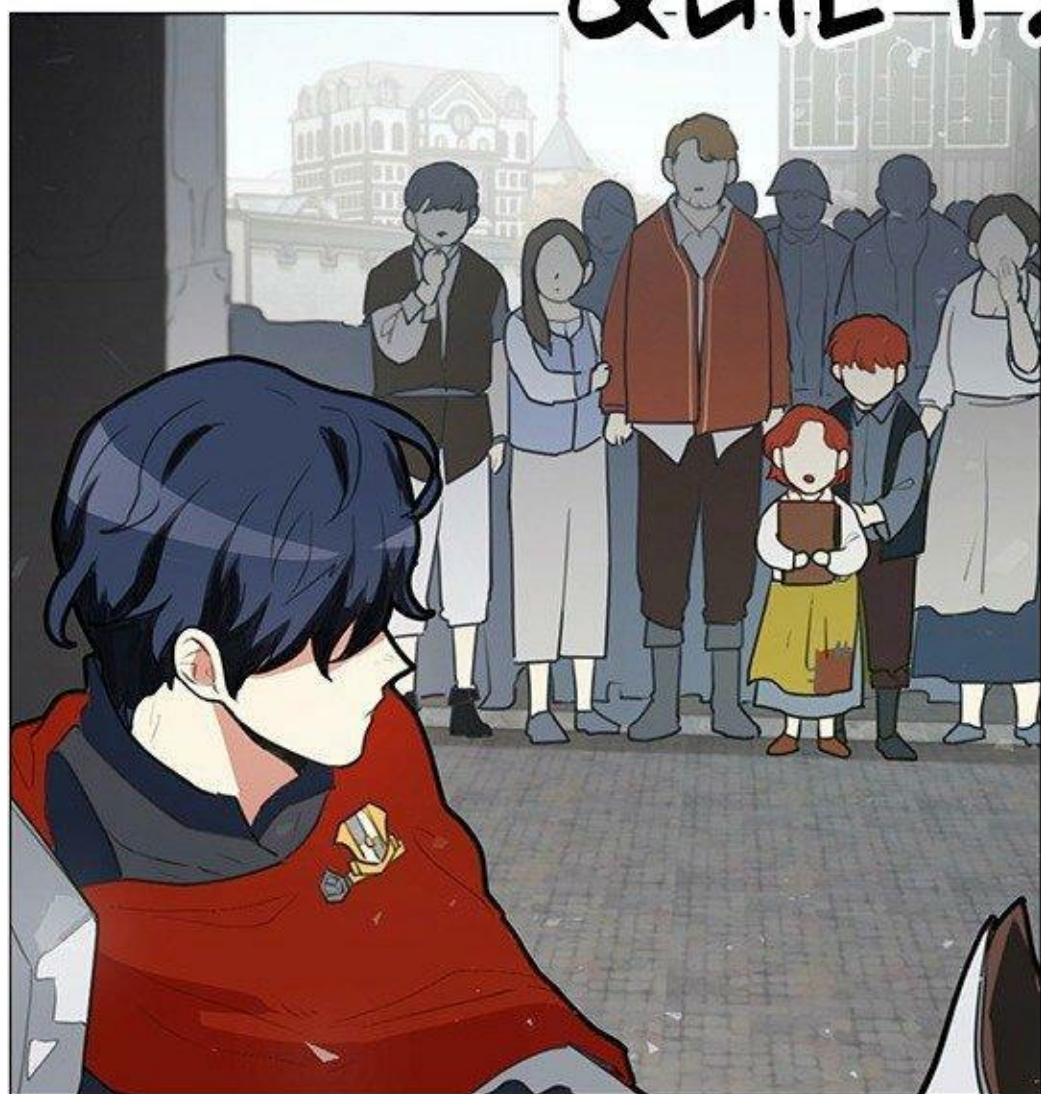


STARE...





QUIET...



MY DUKE,
THERE'S NOTHING TO
WORRY ABOUT.



LET'S KEEP MOVING.

CLIP





OPPA!



MURMUR

WHAT'RE YOU
DOING! WE HAVE
TO GO BACK!

MURMUR



MY APOLOGIES.
MY SISTER IS SO YOUNG...
SHE DOESN'T KNOW HER
MANNERS YET. PLEASE
FORGIVE HER.



CARYN, HURRY UP AND
APOLOGIZE!

WHISPER

**PRINCE OPPA!
I'M YOUR FAN!**





SQUEEZE



I CAN'T JUST
STAY LIKE THIS.

**KYAAA!
OPPA!!**

**BROAD SHOULDER
PRINCE!**

**KILLER SMILE
PRINCE!**

SCREAM

♡PRINCE OPPO♡



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**HEY!
YOU WANNA DIE?!
BE QUIET!**



HEUK.

**OPPA! THIS IS
THE BEAR I MADE!**

LET ME GO! I CAN'T
HOLD IT IN ANYMORE! IF I DIE,
I'LL DIE BY OPPA'S HANDS!

KYAA

OPPA!

KYAA



WHAT'S...
GOING ON??

THAT'S WHAT
I'M SAYING. HAHA.



YOU'LL SIGN THIS
FOR ME, RIGHT?

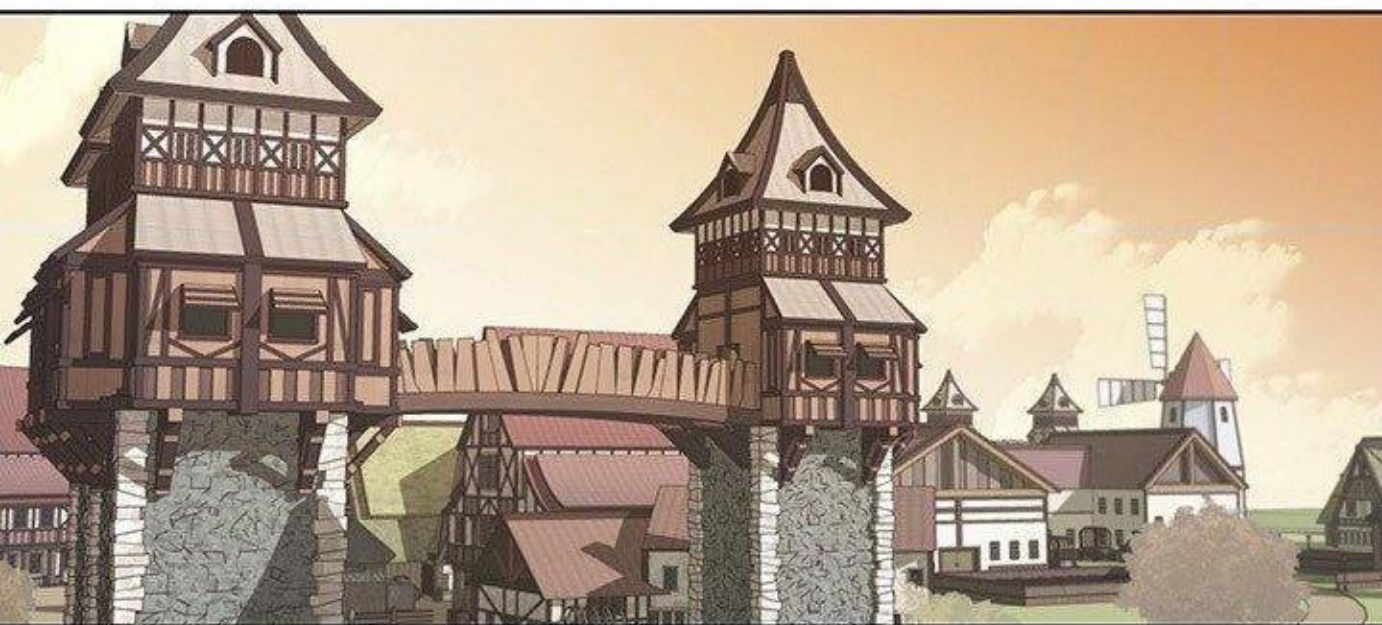
THE PRINCE IN THE ROSE

BY JELLYPOOT

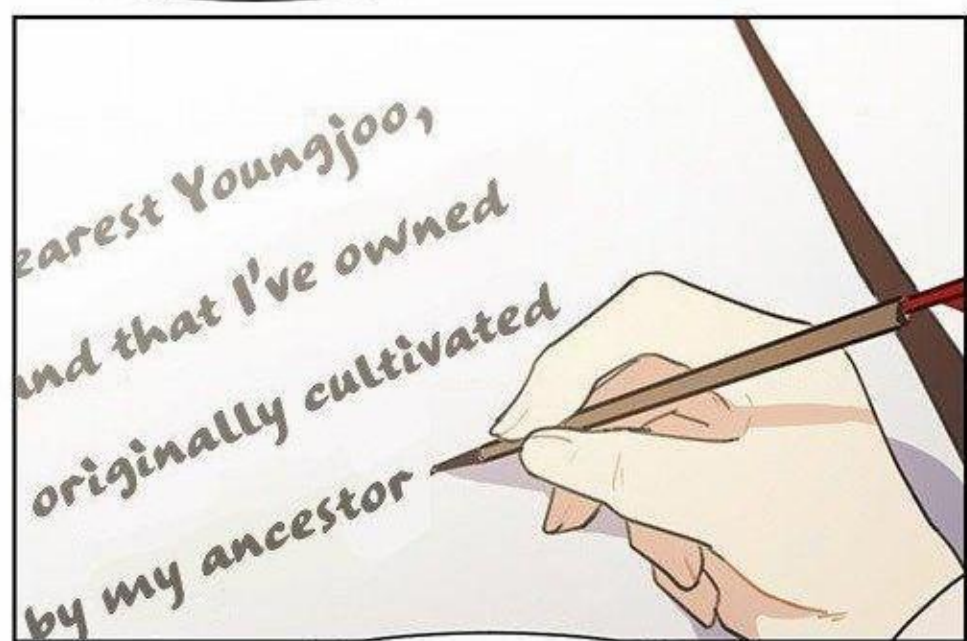




THANK YOU AS
ALWAYS, ANGELA.



HOW ARE YOU SO
GOOD AT WRITING?



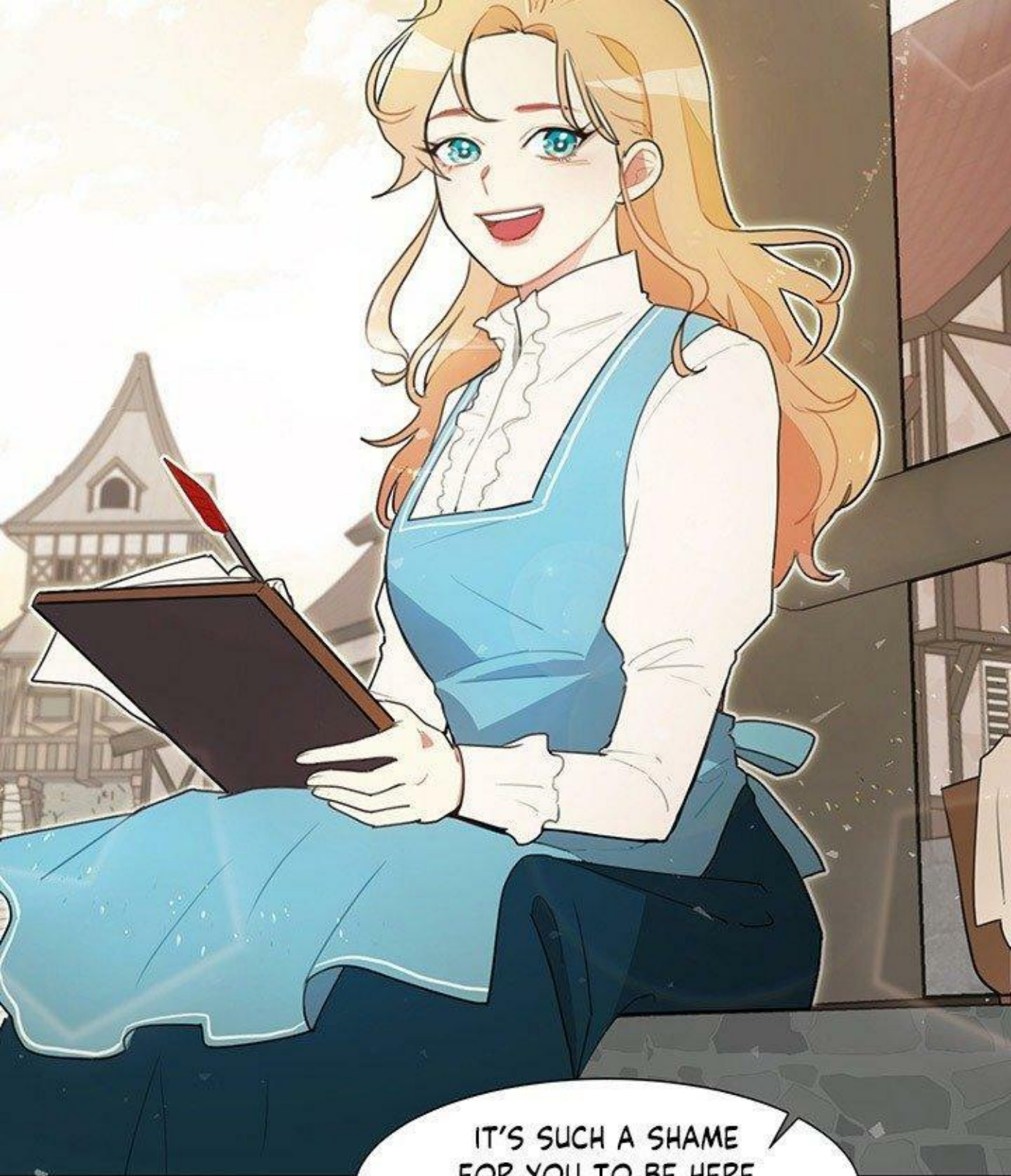
NO, I'M JUST GLAD
I CAN BE OF HELP.

YOU SPEAK SO
ELOQUENTLY TOO.



ANGELA, A GIRL LIKE YOU,
WHO'S SO KIND AND GOOD AT
WRITING, SHOULD GO OUT TO THE
CITY AND MAKE IT BIG.

HEHE, THE CITY?



IT'S SUCH A SHAME
FOR YOU TO BE HERE
IN THE COUNTRYSIDE WITH
SUCH A PRETTY FACE.

✕ GRANNY IS CONSERVATIVE

HERE YOU GO. I FINISHED
WRITING EVERYTHING. IS THERE
ANYTHING ELSE YOU NEED?



I'M ALL SET.
THANK YOU.

WANT ME TO
INTRODUCE YOU
TO A GUY?

NO THANK
YOU...

(ALREADY BOTCHED
SEVERAL MEETINGS)

THANK YOU
FOR TODAY~
SEE YOU AGAIN
NEXT TIME.

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THE CITY...

IS SCARY, BUT I
REALLY WANT TO GO.



BITE..

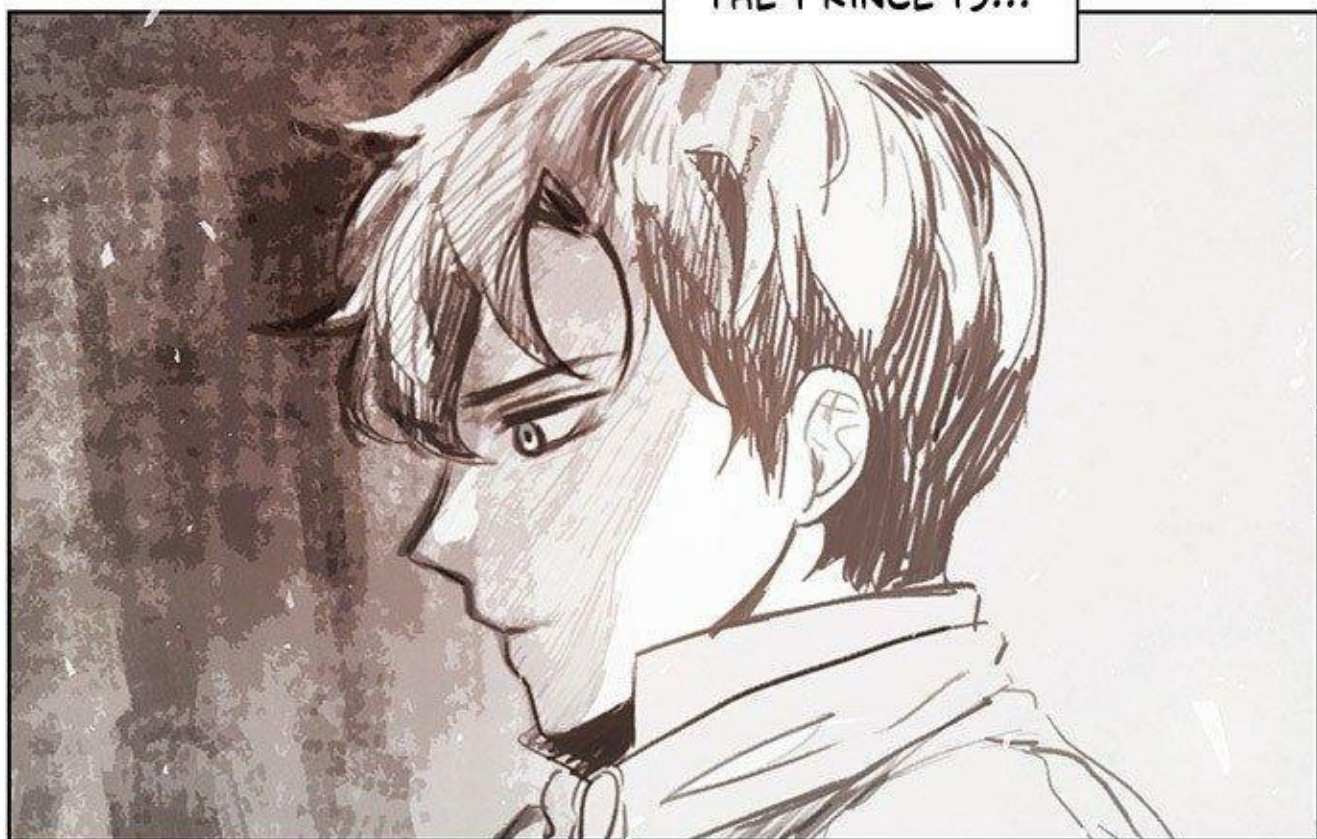
BECAUSE...

THE PRINCE IS THERE!



OF COURSE, THERE ARE
A LOT OF UNSAVORY
RUMORS OUT THERE, BUT

NEVERTHELESS,
THE PRINCE IS...




DID YOU HEAR THE FIRST
PRINCE RETURNED TODAY? I
WONDER WHAT HE LOOKS
LIKE IN PERSON!!



AH MAN, I WISH I
COULD'VE JUST RUN AWAY
TO GO SEE HIM.

THE PRINCE
IS BACK?





HELLO. YOU'RE...
ANGELA, RIGHT?

ARE YOU
ALSO A FAN OF
THE PRINCE?

HOW CAN I NOT
FANGIRL OVER HIM!
HE'S SO HANDSOME.

RIGHT? I KNOW THE
RUMORS AND ALL, BUT I
FEEL LIKE IF YOU MET HIM IN
PERSON, HE'D HAVE A GREAT
PERSONALITY.

AND HIS
SWORDSMANSHIP
IS FANTASTIC!

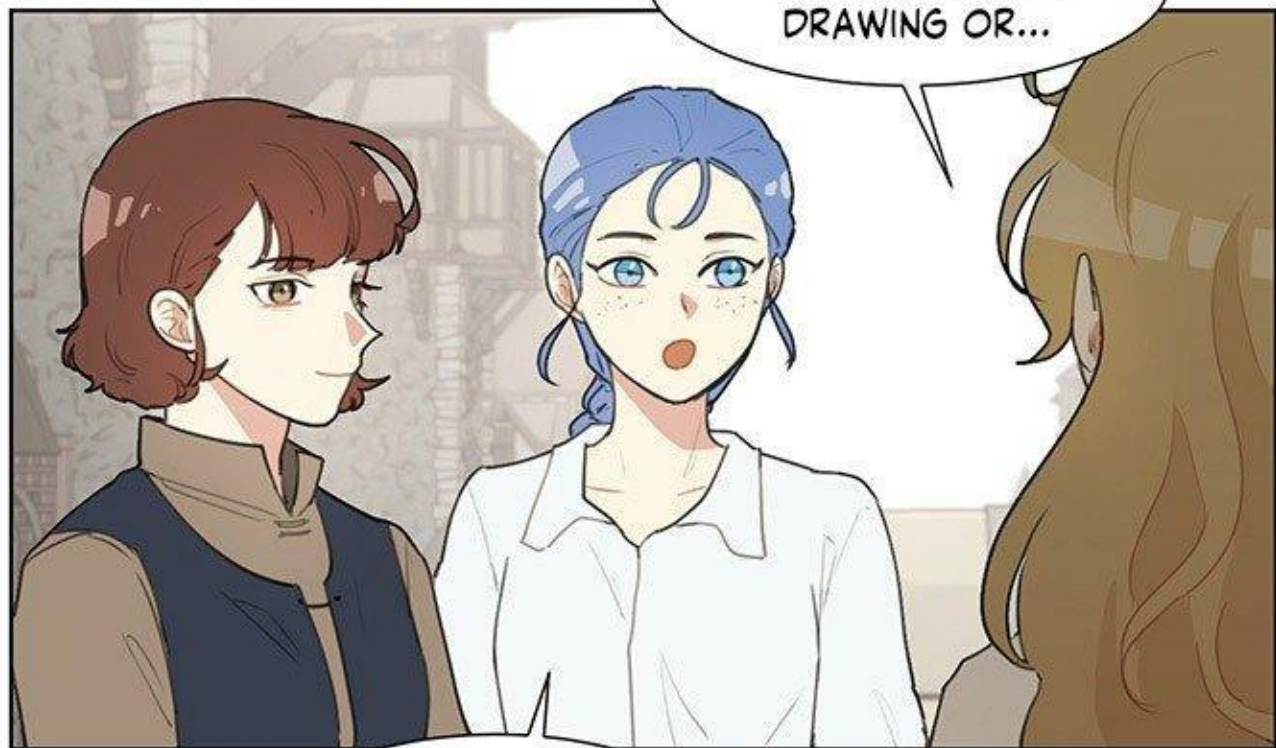
RATTLE

AWAY



AH... NOW THAT
I THINK ABOUT IT, HOW
DID YOU GUYS BECOME FANS
OF THE PRINCE?

DID YOU
SEE A PAPARAZZI
DRAWING OR...



HUH? YOU DIDN'T
BECOME HIS FAN AFTER
READING THAT BOOK?

THE FANFIC,
"THE PRINCE IN THE ROSE"!



ROSE... WHAT?



IT'S A BESTSELLER IN THE CITY
NOWADAYS, AND 90% OF THE PEOPLE
WHO READ IT END UP FALLING FOR THE
PRINCE! IT'S ALL THE RAGE RECENTLY,
YOU HAVEN'T HEARD OF IT?



I HAD A HARD
TIME GETTING IT SINCE
IT'S ALL SOLD OUT!

THE PRINCE IN THE ROSE

BY JELLYPOOT

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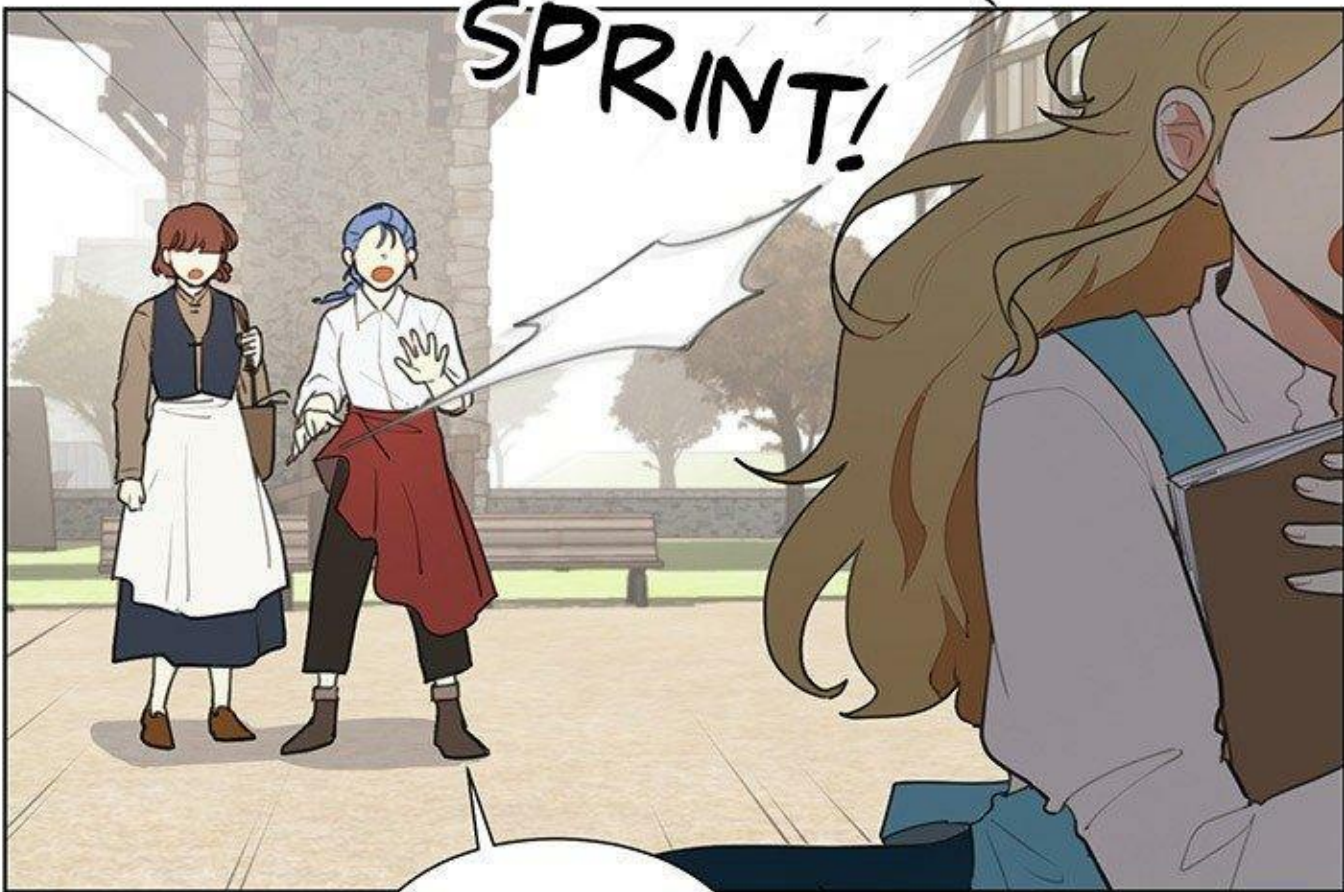
TWITCH

WOW, IT LOOKS
SO INTERESTING.

LET ME BORROW
THIS! I'LL READ IT IN
A FLASH AND GIVE
IT BACK!

SPRINT!

AH!
ANGELA!!

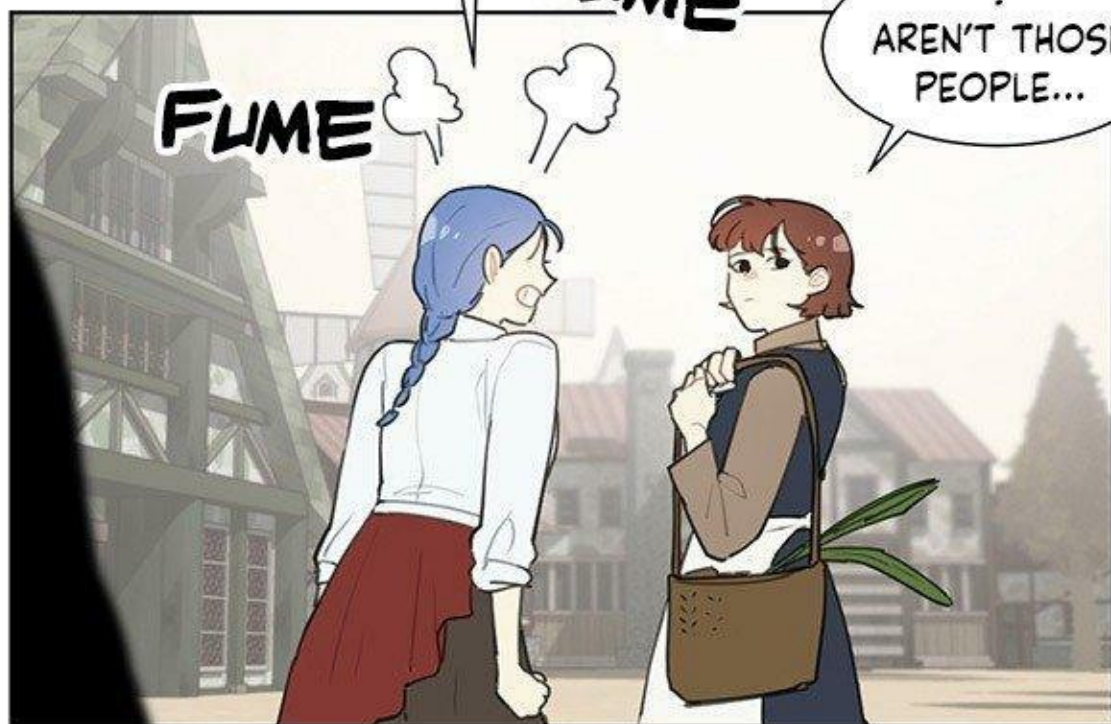


DID THAT BITCH JUST?!
THAT BOOK'S WORTH WAY MORE
THAN SHE CAN EVEN AFFORD
TO BORROW!

FLUME

FLUME

?
AREN'T THOSE
PEOPLE...



IMPERIAL KNIGHTS?

WHAT'RE THEY
DOING ALL THE WAY
OUT HERE...



HEY, YOU.
LET ME ASK YOU
SOMETHING.

